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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

David T. Berg, D.O., a 53 year-old physician from Des Moines, Iowa, entered into a Reinstatement Order with the Board. The Board has charged Dr. Berg with substance abuse on several occasions between 1988 and the present. On June 10, 2004, Dr. Berg was charged with the inability to practice medicine in a safe manner due to the excessive use of drugs and his Iowa medical license was suspended indefinitely. Since that time, Dr. Berg has completed substance abuse evaluation and treatment and the Board has received a recommendation that he is safe to return to the practice of medicine subject to certain terms and conditions due to substance abuse. Under the terms of the Reinstatement Order, Dr. Berg was issued a Citation and Warning, required to pay a \$5,000 civil penalty, and he is permanently prohibited from prescribing, administering and/or dispensing controlled substances. Dr. Berg's license has been placed on indefinite probation subject to numerous substance abuse monitoring provisions.

Daniel E. Miulli, D.O., a 45 year-old neurosurgeon practicing in Moreno Valley, California, had a disciplinary decision issued by the Board following a contested case hearing. On January 18, 2001, the Iowa Board filed charges against Dr. Miulli due to serious quality of care concerns. On June 26, 2001, Dr. Miulli deposed one of the State's expert witnesses in the disciplinary case and Dr. Miulli was responsible for payment of the witnesses' deposition fee. On October 19, 2001, the Board issued an Order directing Dr. Miulli to pay the deposition fee within thirty (30) days. Dr. Miulli did not make full payment of the deposition fee until May 4, 2004, despite numerous attempts by the Board to collect the fee. On May 13, 2004, the Board charged Dr. Miulli with violating an order of the Board when he failed to pay an expert witness deposition fee in a timely manner as ordered. Following a hearing before the Board on February 10, 2005, the Board concluded that Dr. Miulli violated a Board order when he failed to pay the expert witness deposition fee in a timely manner. The Board issued Dr. Miulli a Citation and Warning for violating a Board order.